11.23.20 Minutes of Maynard Parking Authority Meeting

Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 3:00 PM

Meeting called to order at 3:05 PM

Members present: Justin DeMarco, Ben Hofmann, Nick Johnson, Dan Nash, Michael Noble, Megan Zammuto

Review Parking Signage Plan – Phase I Parking Policy

The Parking Authority members reviewed signage presented by DPW Director Justin DeMarco. This plan was created to reflect the phase one parking policy which focuses on clarifying the parking rules on Main Street and Nason Street. Members discussed a potential loading zone on Nason Street, but safety concerns were raised regarding sight lines.

The Parking Authority discussed the parking spaces on River Street which is currently signed as two hours, but there are no meters. The question arose should this be changed to unrestricted parking? The group decided to discuss this wholistically with the second phase of the parking policy.

A motion was made by M. Zammuto to endorse the DPW signage plan for downtown Maynard. The motion was seconded by Nick Johnson and passed unanimously.

Parking Enforcement Update

Chief Noble provided an enforcement update including the recent hiring a community/downtown officer James McGrath. He will be doing the meter collection and working with downtown business owners. An additional employee was hired to focus on enforcement. Authority members requested that enforcement begin with education.

M. Zammuto discussed the future addition of marijuana retail to downtown Maynard in early 2021. We want to make sure enforcement tolls are in place to manage a potential increase in traffic and parking.

Chief Noble discussed an interest in reviewing enforcement tools to streamline the enforcement process.

Adjournment 4:01 PM